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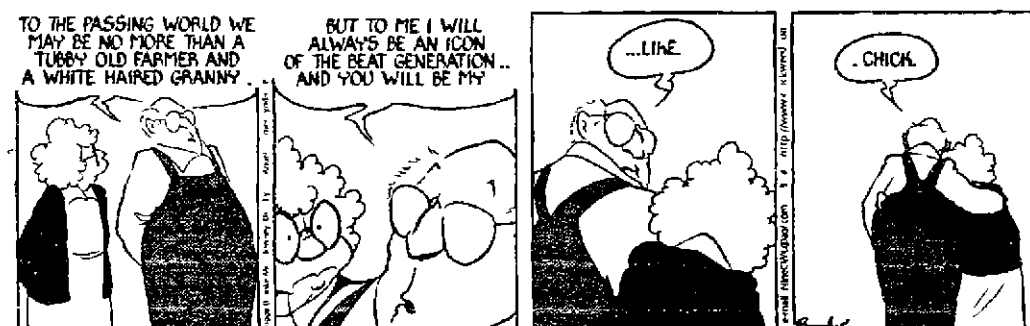
SALLY FORTH



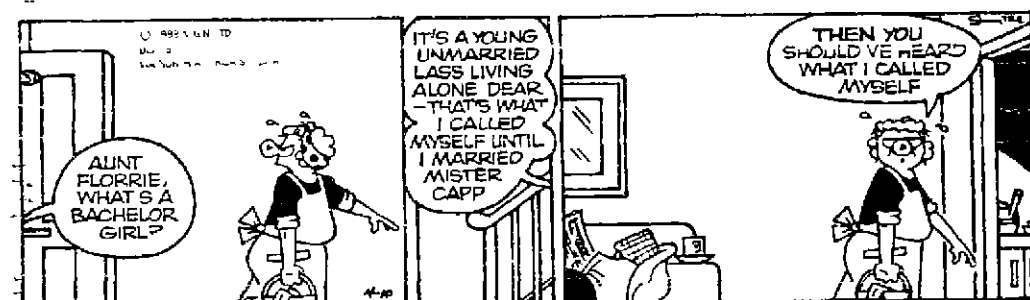
THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



-9-CHICKWEED LANE



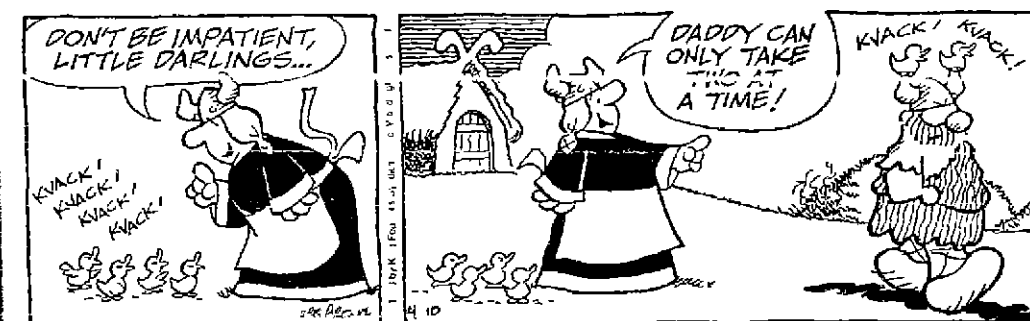
ANDY CAPP



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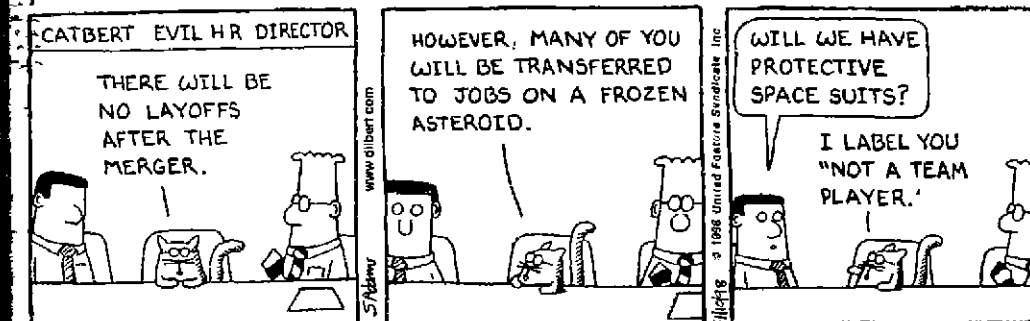
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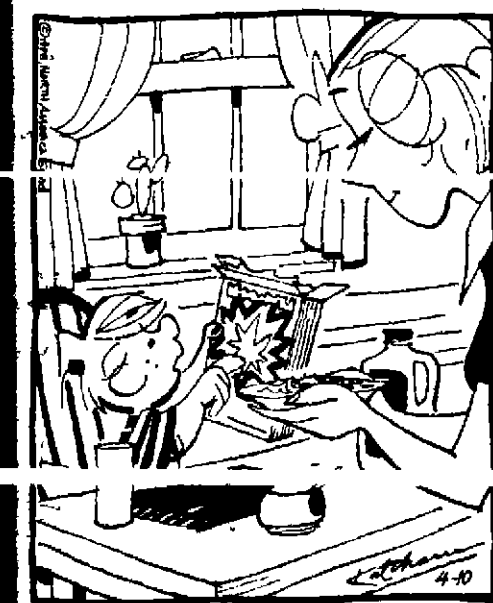
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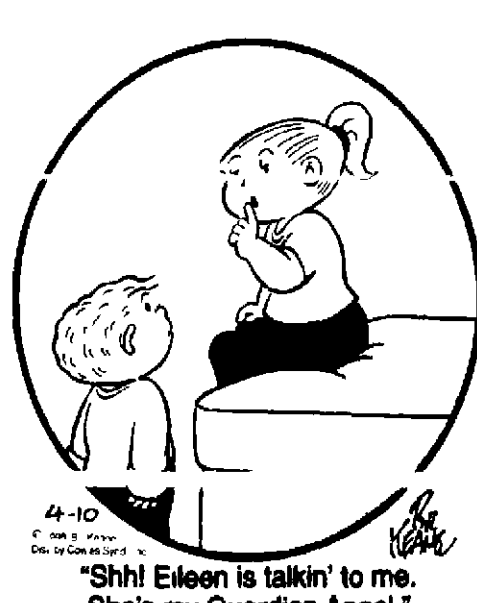
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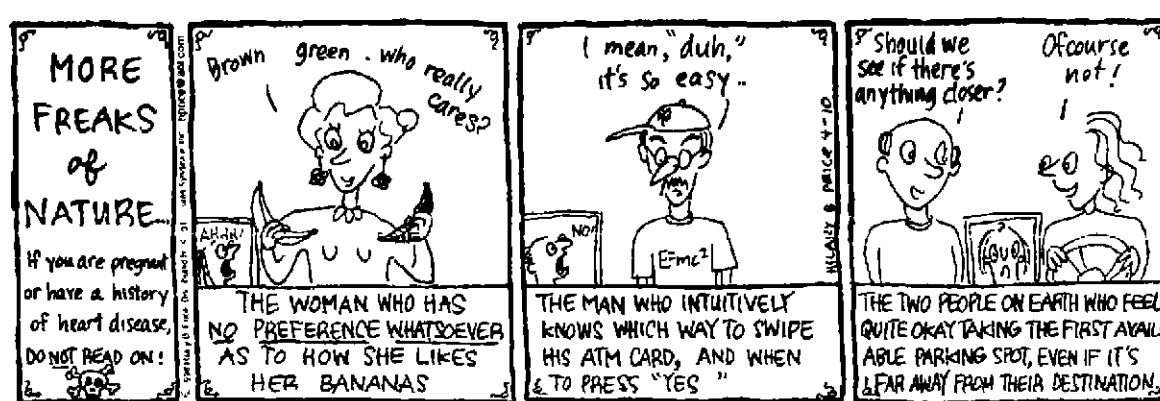
DENNIS THE MENACE



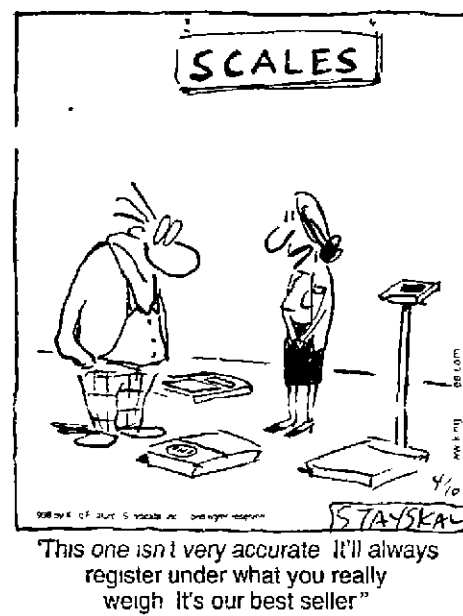
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

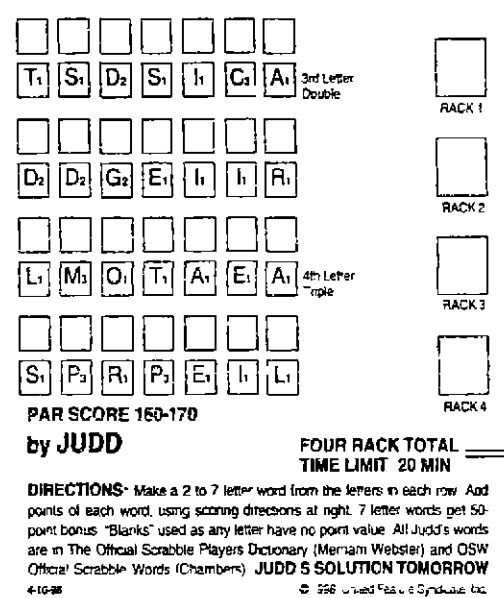
Actor Harry Morgan is 83. Country singer Sheryl Crow is 37.

Liz Sheridan ("Seinfeld") is 69. Actor Omar Sharif is 66. Actor Steven Seagal is 47. Actor Peter MacNicol is 44. Rock musician Steven Gustafson (10,000 Maniacs) is 41. Singer-producer Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds is 40. Rock singer Brian Setzer (Stray Cats) is 39. Rapper Afrika Bambaataa is 38. Actor Jeb Adams is 37.

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE



For solution, see Classified

WORD SLEUTH

The dentist

J B Y W T R P M K I F D B Y N
W U S O O Y M K I F G D T B O
Z X O R T H O D O N T I S T E
W U S I Q O X E I C E S I C G
N L V J H F R N D G H L N C R
A A Y W V T A T D S C A E Q U
C P N L K E Y I I H R I I F S
E C B Z L Y R S W U O T G R L
S S E C S B A T S V W R Y U A
S R S E R U T N E D N A H Q R
P N M L G N I L L I F P A C O

Thursday's unlisted clue LIPINSKI
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Friday's unlisted clue hint: FITTED AREA IN A TOOTH

Abcess	Cleaning	Filling	Orthodontist
Bridge	Crown	Hygienist	Partials
Cap	Dentist	Insurance	X-ray
Chair	Dentures	Oral surgeon	

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HOROSCOPE

For Saturday, April 11, 1998

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're skilled in debate and can give good advice to others. Self-discipline paves the way for inspiration on the job.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You encounter friends from all parts of your life. You exhibit the best a Taurus can offer.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You are charismatic and others find your leadership inspiring. Participate in group activities.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You could revise a domestic plan successfully. Your serious ideas are blessed with originality.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You draw freely from creative strengths and your work is inspired.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) What looks like a routine social event turns into an exciting occasion. You can wheel and deal. Your creativity soars.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You're on the same wavelength with a romantic interest. On the job, you are productive and efficient.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) The bonds of love grow stronger, yet you suddenly feel more free. You like to think big and a once-in-a-lifetime plan has merit.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You no longer complete one job project than you have ideas for another that looks to be promising. You have some time for celebration with loved ones.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) A close lie wants your company on a trip. Your instinctive way of putting two and two together makes you a force to be reckoned with in business matters.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) A business plan that has been a long time in the making begins to gel for you. Your friends' support is inspiring.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Sincere insight and strong intuition put you a step ahead in your career. Behind-the-scenes developments are important.

ACES ON BRIDGE

By Bobby Wolff

Here's an opportunity to exercise your brain muscle. In today's teaser after South discovers the 4-1 trump break, how can he draw the last trump without losing four tricks? Dummy's queen wins West's trump lead and South cashes the ace, hoping for a 3-2 break. Had trumps behaved, South would have drawn the last trump and led clubs. With control of all suits, South would have won East's exit, enjoyed a discard on dummy's fourth club and lost only two diamonds and a club. Given the bad break, how should have South continued after cashing dummy's trump jack? If South starts clubs, East will refuse the first club, win the second and lead a third club. West gets a ruff, and South loses two diamonds, a club and a club ruff. If South cashes dummy's spade ace and ruffs a spade to draw the last trump, East will run the spades after he wins his club ace. Leading diamonds first won't work either. The defenders will win either three diamonds and a club or two diamonds, a club and a club ruff. The solution is to lead a low spade from dummy at trick four. When the defenders continue spades (best) South ruffs and draws the last trump. Now when he knocks out East's club ace, dummy's spade ace prevents the defenders from winning more than one spade trick.

NORTH		04-10-A	
♠ A J 3			
♥ A Q J			
♦ A 10 3			
♣ K Q J 10			
WEST		EAST	
♠ Q 7 5 4	♠ K 10 9 8 6		
♥ 10 5 4 3	♥ 2		
♦ K 9 3	♦ Q 8 7 2		
♣ 8 2	♣ A 7 5		
SOUTH			
♠ 2			
♥ K 9 8 7 6			
♦ J 6 4			
♣ 9 6 4 3			
Vulnerable Both			
Dealer: North			
The bidding			
North	East	South	West
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: Heart four			

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

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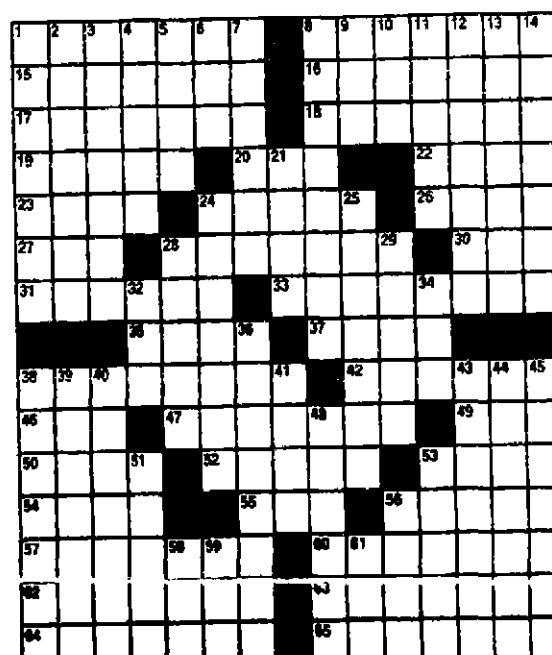
- ACROSS**
- Capital city of 8.6 million
 - Bunk
 - Spring bloomers
 - "M*A*S*H" corporal
 - Salon activity
 - Spill
 - Shade of crimson
 - Assents
 - Permanently mark
 - "Rhyme Pays" rapper
 - Downward, in a way
 - Engineers' work
 - Pulitzer-winning writer Robertson
 - Former Greek P.M.
 - Papandreou
 - Door sign
 - It causes a breakdown
 - Water adders
 - Track
 - Inoperative
 - Major strikes
 - It may involve a sacrifice
 - MTV prize
 - Arbiter
 - Late-late hour
 - Anatomical network
 - "Merry Company" artist
 - Ring
 - Twins follower
 - CD predecessors
 - Ugarte player in "Casablanca"
 - 1984 Martin-Tomlin comedy
 - Nosy person's affair, in a saying
 - Washington summit
 - Performing
 - Vets, sometimes
 - Fumes

DOWN

- Light yellow
- Uto— (language group)
- 1975 Emmy-winning actress
- Distribute
- Equal fine
- Milk source
- Iron man's quest?
- Understand
- Smartened (up)
- Unsurpassed
- City fellow
- Jack-in-the-box needs
- mountain dweller
- They bring blessings
- Kind of lamp
- Famous last words?

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

CHIC BELOW MACK
REAL OPERA INOM
ARGO WHATDIDTHE
GROGROK ENGINE
EAR WIRE
DOGGAYWHENITSOAT
ENNE HART TMA
LEAM TONFO COAT
LAIN TONFO COAT
ONBONEBANDPAPER
RASH ION
TYPHIST LASTCALL
MOUWHOUH ELDA
ACUT TONNE TMA
YARN PINK TARP



Puzzle by Kevin McCann

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|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 29 Kitchen staple | 44 Fuming | 53 Assignments |
| 32 Singer Sumac | 46 Wired | 56 —majesté |
| 34 Barnyard male | 48 Sappho's home | 58 "Ptu!" |
| 36 Rats | 51 Wood from India and Sri Lanka | 59 It's around Martinique |
| 38 Places where one is drawn to drink? | | 61 Compass dir. |

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